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In re Patent Application of:
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For: **CHOKE FOR CONTROLLING THE FLOW OF
DRILLING MUD**

Examiner: Thomas S. Bomar

REPLY UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated January 18, 2008, please reconsider this application in view of the following.